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GRANGE NEWS

CANTON GRANGE
Canton Grange anniversary day was observed Saturday with a good attendance. Only one charter member was present, Wallace W. Rose. One application was received for membership. An invitation was received and accepted to meet with North Jay Grange on March 2nd. After choir music, W. W. Rose was called on and made interesting remarks, followed by John Briggs, C. E. Mendall, Mrs. Perle Adams and others. Arthur J. Foster spoke on the new problems in reasoning and Mrs. Viola Tyler spoke on the poultry question. Some good stories were told and a reading given by Mrs. Fannie B. Lucas.

NORWAY GRANGE

Norway Grange met in regular session February 25. The meeting was called to order at 1:45 p. m. by Worthy Master Perry. Officers present: Secretary, Chas. Frost; Steward, Arthur Black. Meeting opened in form, after which the business of the day was taken up. Officers elected to fill the vacant chairs for the year were: Brother Percy Upton, Steward; Sister Emma Upton, Flora. They are to be installed at the next meeting by Past Master H. D. Smith. Bro. Leroy Spiller was appointed Flower Committee in place of Florence Grover. Sister Grover was appointed a member of the Relief Committee. It was voted to carry on a contest through the year, arrangements to be made by the Lecturer. Literary program as follows: Song, America, Ida Merrill, pianist; Roll Call was led by Worthy Master Perry with a quotation from Washington, and was followed by a general response by the members; Pi and Solo, Ida Merrill; Topic, How Can Norway Grange help its farmers? was briefly discussed; Topic, Good Things to eat on sugarless days, Sisters Louise Gammon, Jessie Buck, Eva Richardson, Mary Smith, Lella Watson, Florence Grover, Alice Watson, Clara Ames, Grace Bennett and Edith Knightly join of so many sugarless toothsome delicacies that Brother H. D. Smith was moved to inquire—somewhat anxiously—when they were going to make the next "hatch," we move the sisters write the recipes and bring them to the next meeting, so they can be passed along. Reading, Hwaatha's Hunting, Arthur Buck; Reading, The Hepper and The Flowers, (Longfellow), Worthy Lecturer, Adelaide Young; Topic, What agriculture do you consider the most helpful discussed by Virgil Dunn followed by Harlan Brown and Willard Buck; Reading, on the inspection of farm implements in the New England Home, Edith Knightly.

Worthy Lecturer of Oxford Pomona, Arthur Buck, announced that the next meeting would be held with West Paris Grange, with Past Master of the Maine State Grange, C. S. Steison, as the speaker of the day, and a meeting of interest is assured.

RESOLUTIONS

ON THE DEATH OF MISTER ANNIE M. FRYE

Whereas: It has pleased the Supreme Master to summon from Sunset Rebeck Lodge to the Great Lodge above our beloved sister Annie M. Frye, therefore be it

Resolved: That we sincerely mourn the loss of one who when health would permit, was ever ready to lend a helping hand and do what she could to encourage in the good work pertaining to the order, and that while we mourn we know that our loss is her gain.

Resolved: That as a lodge we emulate her characteristics of loyalty, fidelity, and strong faith, that we tender to the members of her household our heartfelt sympathy and that our shatter be draped for thirty days; that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our records and a copy sent to her nearest friends, also to the Oxford County Citizens for publication.

ANNA FRENCH,
ADDIE RAMBELL,
LILLIAN STOWELL,
Committee on Resolutions

WOMEN'S CLUB

The next meeting will be Wednesday evening, Feb. 27, at which time Mr. Frank A. Brown will talk on the financial standing of the town as shown by the town report, and the condition of Bethel roads.

GOVERNMENT SEEDS

Congressman Wallace H. White, Jr., writes that he has received his allotment of Government garden and flower seeds, and will send a package to any resident of the second district who will write him asking for them, as long as they supply hold.

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Vivian Jackson is doing her practice work at West Bethel this week.

Marion Frost visited classes at the Academy, Feb. 22.

Miss McQuade was in West Bethel, Monday, supervising the Normal work.

Last Saturday afternoon the students at Holden Hall enjoyed the toboggan chute, thanks to the management of the Inn.

Saturday evening, Mar. 2, the G. A. girls play the Alumnae at basketball. Ida Packard, Mabel Bailey, Florence Chapman, Eva Bartlett and Dorothy Seaton will play on the Alumnae team. The proceeds go toward the Makoniky Fund. It is hoped that a good crowd will turn out to see the girls play.

At the union meeting in the Congregational church Sunday evening the delegates to the Boys' Conference in Portland gave their reports. The papers were so well given, so interesting and inspiring that every man and boy in town should have heard them. The reports were given as follows: Representing the Y. M. C. A., Chester Howe told of the trip down and Ray Parker the events of Friday afternoon. For the Scouts, Thomas Laughlin reported the banquet and Olyndon Sawin the Saturday evening meeting. For the Y. M. C. A., Harold Bartlett told of the Saturday morning meeting and Robert Hanscom the Sunday afternoon service. George Thomas of the Congregational Sunday School reported the Sunday evening meeting. Following these reports Rev. W. C. Curtis and Rev. J. H. Little gave their impressions of the conference. Robert Hanscom presided in a very creditable manner. This meeting impressed upon all present the great work the Y. M. C. A. is doing and its value to our boys. Let us give it our hearty support.

Friday evening, Feb. 22, the team from Westbrook High School gave a flag exhibition of basketball. The game was fast and clean, the visitors winning 24 to 14. Following is the line-up:

WESTBROOK H. S.
Ball, H.
Moore, H.
Robinson, H.
Robinson, H.
Berrymann, H.
Sawyer, H.

GOULD'S
H. S.
Brooks, H.
Hall, H.
Bartlett, H.
Bartlett, H.
Bryant, H.
Young, H.

Goals from the floor: Ball 1, Moore 2, Robinson 3, Berrymann 2, Sawyer 2, Young 3. Goals from fouls: Bryant 2, Berrymann 2, Young 3. Goals from free throws: Berrymann 2, Pratt 2. Score, Westbrook 24, Gould's 14.

WIGHT-ANDREWS

A quiet wedding took place Saturday afternoon, when Miss Ava Maud Andrews, of Norway became the bride of Philip Dana Wight of Bath. The ceremony was performed at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Chester G. Miller, at South Paris, pastor of the South Paris and Norway Universalist churches. The double ring service was used. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Marion Andrews White, a maid of Bethel. She was attired in her becoming traveling suit of dark blue with velvet hat in harmony.

The bridal party planned to leave town on the 8 o'clock train, immediately after the ceremony, and evade their friends, for the affair had been kept secret, but the members of the Kist Pres. Club, of which Mrs. Wight is a member, were wiser than she planned, and they assembled at the South Paris station, with some additional friends, and as the train was nearly two hours late the send off was a merry one.

Mrs. Wight is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Andrews, Green street. She is a graduate of Norway High School, in the class of '13, and since that time has been a successful teacher in Norway and Waterford. This winter she has had a position in the office of the Carrell-Jellerson Shoe Co. Since the announcement of her engagement she has been tendered a shower by the members of the club and she has been the recipient of many beautiful and useful gifts.

Mr. Wight is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wight of Oilead. After graduating from Gould's Academy in 1914, he learned the druggist's trade, and worked in Bethel, later going to Bath. A year ago he entered the employ of the Texas Steamship company, where he is employed at the present time, as a joiner. After a short wedding trip, they will make their home in Bath.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Wight have lived in Bethel and their many friends extend congratulations.

NAVY LEAGUE

There is a call for more sweaters, helmets and socks for our sailors and marines.

Recent letters from Washington, from those in contact with the officers and men on transports and torpedo-boats, state that the warm articles are greatly needed and thoroughly appreciated by these exposed men, and also that there are not yet enough to give each soldier the much needed protection when on guard.

The two generous men who have given wool for the construction of three thousand and four garments, (already sent in ten months) have added fifteen hundred pounds of wool for further help. To these royally munificent benefactors, and to those who have so faithfully and patiently wrought out in skillful handiwork what was bestowed the large circle who know of this great work done in Bethel, give enthusiastic praise.

And now more help is asked, even from those who have already given so much. It must be recognized that a great number of torpedo destroyers, whorl with to fight the menacing submarines, and transports to carry over our boys, are to be launched very soon, which makes this call for assistance most urgent.

There are 416 members on the Bethel League knitting list. Many are from the farming districts. In the suburbs and neighboring towns as well as in Bethel itself, we have found many efficient women. Some of them have done fine work in organizing and inspiring little knitting groups, with astonishing results, and there is much appreciation expressed by those who know of their unusual records. Added to the sum of results from these valiant Bethel workers, are contributions from far-away helpers. The Bethel League receives, almost daily, articles from Washington, Chicago, Maryland, Massachusetts and New York.

To neighbors, citizens and interested friends from a distance, we extend our warmest thanks, and only beg for a continuance of the responses to the great need appealing to us.

At Easter-time there will be a carefully-bestowed prize given to the one with the highest record of knitted sweaters. Whoever the swift-angled member may be, the good will of this community will cast a halo around the prize.

THE CHAUTAUQUA FESTIVAL

Bethel is fortunate this year in being one of the towns which is to have a winter Chautauqua Festival. Through the public spirited action of some of our prominent men, the necessary guarantees have been given, and the entertainments will be held in Odeon Hall on the afternoons and evenings of Mar. 7, 8 and 9. Season tickets for the course are \$1.50, and are now being sold in the village by the Boy Scouts. They can also be obtained at the office of H. H. Hastings, Esq.

The program is of exceptional interest, including among other events, illustrated lectures by Peter MacQueen, the celebrated war correspondent, and by Captain Leslie Vickers, of the Royal Scotch Fusiliers. The songs of the Columbia Male Quartette always score a hit. There is no reason why the course should not be well patronized, for it combines the features of instruction and entertainment.

LIEUT. GUY SWETT SLIGHTLY WOUNDED

South Paris Man Among Casualties On Western Front

Reports of casualties from Gen. Pershing from the western front received Saturday include among those slightly wounded First Lieut. Guy I. Swett of Co. D, 103rd U. S. Infantry, of South Paris. Lieut. Swett was for some years a member of Co. D, Second Regiment, N. G. S. M., of Norway. He worked up through the several grades to the rank he now holds. He was with the company in Mexican border service in 1916. After the declaration of war with Germany, the Second Maine was mustered into the United States service as the 103rd Infantry, and was one of the early National Guard regiments to go to France with the American Expeditionary Forces, landing there some months ago.

Although it has not before been announced, the news of the last of the week that New England soldiers were on the firing line and had suffered casualties, gave reason for thinking that the Second Maine boys were in action there.

Two other Maine boys are in the list of slightly wounded, but nothing more serious from the Maine soldiers.

OBITUARIES

ARTHUR GORDON DOUGLASS

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the family who are mourning the loss of husband, son and brother. In all of these relations he had given and received much happiness. And only time, the merciful healer, can soften the blow to those who have seen them so suddenly severed. He was taken very ill some seven weeks ago, but had gained and was believed to be on the way to recovery when a relapse brought the end.

The son of Charles H. and Susan E. Douglass, he was born March 28, 1884, one of a family of eight children, of whom five brothers, and a sister, to whom he was tenderly devoted, survive him. He had always lived in Bethel. In August, 1914, he was married to Miss Ida May Hill of Norway, who came into his home during the last illness of his mother. To her she gave a daughter's care and companionship, which in rich measure she has continued to the father, who shared with them the home.

Mr. Douglass was by trade an engineer. For the last year or so he had been a valued employee of The Bethel Inn. Industrious, genial, affable, kindly, he had many friends. He was a member of the L. O. O. F., Hose Co. No. 1, and the Red Cross.

When the world's need of stalwart young manhood is so pitilessly great the cutting short of useful and loved life like his seems an unfathomable mystery.

He was very happy in his family life. Fond of his home he took great pleasure in improving and beautifying it. Only a few days before his death, during his convalescence, he had busied himself with work for the house which he had undertaken and carried on with keen interest and which he was eager to complete. To his father who has relied upon his assistance and companionship, and who had reasonably hoped for their continuance as the comfort and support of coming years, his loss is a heavy sorrow. To his wife it brings sad disappointment in the ending of a home life of much happy contentment and inseparable loneliness.

The funeral was in the afternoon of Monday, Feb. 26, at his home. There were quantities of beautiful flowers in expression of sympathy and affection from relatives and friends. These from the Ladies' Club of the Congregational Parish of which Mrs. Douglass is an efficient member, were accompanied by a card bearing these words which have spoken great comfort:

"He will comfort your heart as a fond loving mother
Would comfort and soothe the dear child on her breast;
His great heart of pity broods tenderly over you,
To joy and rejoicing His love will restore you,
How perfect His peace, how enduring His rest."

MRS. LEURINDA ANDREWS

Mrs. Leurinda Andrews, the widow of the late Edgar D. Andrews, died at her home on the Bangs Pond road last Saturday after a short illness of about a week.

Mrs. Andrews was the daughter of Herman and Charlotte Cummings and was born in Albany, January 12, 1845, and had spent most of her life in that and the surrounding towns.

Practically a house-body she has had great pleasure in seeing her six children grow up and settle in homes of their own. Since Mr. Andrews' death last June she has felt the loss of her companion and although her children have done all they could, the vacant place was not filled and she was content when the time came for her to make the journey.

Six children survive: Eugene of Norway, Lucian J. of Albany, Mrs. Lottie Thomas, Percy C. of Kenosha, Wis., and Mrs. Eva Morrill of Bethel, besides many grandchildren.

The funeral was held at the home on Tuesday afternoon with Rev. Chester Gore Miller of St. Paris, officiating.

U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

Plans to make the week of March 4th to 8th, a farm implement inspection and repair week, have received the approval of the United States Food Administration. The idea was started and is being pushed by the National Federation of Implement and Vehicle Dealers' Association, with the cooperation of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Federal Board of Farm Organizations, the Agricultural Publishers' Association, numerous State colleges of agriculture and farmers' organizations, farm agents, State Councils of Defense,

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday morning service at 10:45 with sermon by the pastor. Sunday School at 12. Junior Epworth League at 3. Evening services at 7:00 in the Men's Class Room.

Class meeting Tuesday night at 7:30.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday: Morning worship at 10:45. Sermon by the pastor. Sunday School at 12.

Union service with the Universalist young people at seven in the evening. The Ladies' Club is to meet with Mrs. F. B. Toell, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

The meeting last Sunday evening to hear the reports of the State Boys' Conference by the delegates was truly inspiring. All of them did well. The leadership was fine. The good gained from the Conference, even by our own boys, is incalculable.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Morning service at 10:45. Sunday School at 12. Subject of the morning discourse, "The unity of the spirit, in the bond of peace."

Evening: Union service at 7. Subject, "The importance of little things."

At the meeting of the Young Men's Universalist Association, Monday evening, it was voted to contribute \$1.00 to the Red Cross work. An interesting selection on incidents of the present war was presented by Linwood Wilson. Members of the Sunday School, who have the Armenian collection envelopes are requested to bring them in next Sunday.

The Ladies of the Universalist Circle will serve lunches at Odeon Hall, Town Meeting Day.

UNION MEETING

The union meeting Sunday evening, March 3, will be at the Universalist church. The subject is, "The Value of Little Things." Leader, Harry Young.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The Republican voters of Bethel are requested to assemble in caucus on Saturday, March 9, 1918, at the Court Room, Bethel, at 2:00 P. M., for the purpose of:

1. Choosing a chairman and secretary of the caucus.
 2. Electing a Republican town committee.
 3. Electing four delegates and four alternates to attend the Republican State Convention to be held in Portland on Thursday, March 28th.
 4. Electing four delegates and four alternates to the Second District Convention to be held in Portland on Thursday, March 28th.
 5. Transacting any other business that may properly be brought before said caucus.
- Per order Republican Town Committee,
Fred F. Hoan, Chairman,
Herman Mason, Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas: The Angel of Death has again visited our Chapter, calling upon one of its members to make the journey to "That bourne from which no traveler returns," thus breaking one of the golden links in our fraternal chain, and compelling us to part for a time, with our esteemed Sister, Annie M. Frye, therefore be it

Resolved: That while we humbly bow to the divine decree we deeply mourn the loss of this Sister who was a Charter Member of our Order, and always a loyal and helpful member.

That as an Order we unite in paying loving tribute to her memory.

That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to her many friends in the loss of one so true and faithful.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be preserved in the records of the Chapter, and a copy sent to her nearest friends, also published in the Oxford County Citizen.

NELLIE L. CURTIS,
HARRIET B. HALL,
HERBERT C. ROWE,
Committee on Resolutions.

and manufacturers and dealers.

During this week an effort will be made to have every farmer in the nation inspect his machinery and immediately place his orders for repairs or extra parts. Unprecedented scarcity of malleable and steel parts, freight congestion which might bring about delays, and an opportunity to save express and postal charges, are urged as reasons for early orders to be put in through dealers. The farmers are being urged to act promptly as an act of loyalty in the effort for a maximum food production this year.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines, 1 week, 25c. 3 weeks 50c.

NOTICE.

I wish to announce to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I am prepared to do all kinds of plumbing and repair work at a reasonable price, also sheet metal work. All work carefully and promptly attended to.

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Bethel, Maine.
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Telephone

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Practice limited to diseases of the Eye and the fitting of Glasses. Office at house of Clarence Hall, Bethel. Will be at Bethel the last Saturday of every month.

RUBBERS

At this season of the year rubber footwear seems to be the desirable article in footwear.

In different places there is a shortage in all kinds of rubbers but at present I have a full supply of all kinds including rubber boots and leather top overs for men, women and children.

Am still giving my customers the benefit of the low prices on rubbers and for your own good urge you to buy a supply within the next week.

All kinds of footwear for men, women and children.

Shoe and Rubber Repairing
YOUNG'S SHOE STORE
Phone 14-4

CLOSING OUT SALE

Beginning Tuesday, March 5th, at my store, Hunt's Corner, Albany, Me., I will give a liberal discount on all goods sold for cash. This sale will continue every afternoon except Monday until the entire stock is sold. This store is for sale or rent.

H. I. BEAN,
H. F. D. 3, Bethel, Maine.
223-11p.

WATCH AND CLOCK REPAIRING
ROBSON ANDREWS
Main Street, Bethel, Maine.

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Dressed pigs. Highest cash price paid at store of
W. C. DRYANT,
Bethel, Maine.
2-14-18.

WANTED

Work by the hour or day, washing or cleaning.
MRS. McALLISTER,
Paradise Road,
2w-p.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish to inform the public of Bethel and vicinity that I am prepared to do undertaking, and that I will give my personal attention to both day and night services also funeral, restorative and transfer arrangements. Tel. 36.

GUY E. JACK,
Licensed Embalmer and Funeral Director,
Maple Inn, Bethel, Maine.
2-23-18.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said bank to Clyde O. Brooks and numbered 3378, has been destroyed or lost, and that he desires to have a new book or deposit issued to him.

BETHEL SAVINGS BANK,
By A. E. Harlick Treas.,
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1916.

NORWAY

The Washington Whist at the Opera House, Thursday evening, held under the auspices of the Norway Red Cross Chapter was one of the pleasantest occasions of the winter. The affair was in charge of Miss Agnes J. Best, chairman of the entertainment committee in the chapter, and as fully \$50 was realized, the results are most gratifying. Some over 200 gathered and enjoyed a delicious dinner and refreshments, which were served by the party of four or eight, as the case might be, several in the following tables. The following captains were appointed: Mrs. Hugh Pendexter, Mrs. H. B. Cummings, Mrs. Ernest W. Hutsch, Mrs. Harry P. Jones, Mrs. William F. Jones, Mrs. Fred H. Cummings, Mrs. Herbert F. Andrews, Mrs. Eugene S. Andrews, Mrs. James N. Paver, Mrs. Albert J. Stearns, Mrs. E. D. Carroll, Mrs. Trice C. Merrill, Mrs. Albion L. Buck, Mrs. Herman L. Bartlett, Mrs. Perry H. Nevers, Mrs. Lester V. Ashton, Mrs. James N. Tubbs, Mrs. Fred B. Brown, Mrs. Walter F. Tubbs, Mrs. Henry B. Foster, Mrs. William C. Leavitt, Mrs. Arthur W. Easton, Mrs. George L. Curtis, Mrs. Howard D. Smith, Mrs. Fred E. Smith, Mrs. Eugene P. Smith, Mrs. Charles P. Hutton, Mrs. Isaac Cummings, Mrs. Victor W. Hills, Mrs. Homer Luck, Mrs. A. LaCock, Mrs. Frank E. DeCoster, Mrs. Howard B. Young, Mrs. George P. Locke, Mrs. Z. L. Merchant, Mrs. C. S. Akers, Mrs. Merton L. Kimball, Mrs. Frank E. Brett, Mrs. Gertrude Gardner, Mrs. Elizabeth McCreary, Miss Jeanie P. Baker, Miss Tessa Thibodeau, Miss Elizabeth Best, the Misses Mary and Frances Jones, The High School Mandolin Club furnished music the first of the evening, and also at the close of the evening for dancing after the games. Refreshments were arranged on tables at either side of the hall. The stage was draped with large flags, presenting a patriotic appearance, suitable for the season.

Ray B. Bacon, from the extension department at Orono is assisting Prof. George A. Yeates for two or three weeks, in the pig and poultry work throughout the county.

Prof. George A. Yeates went to Buckfield, Saturday night, where he will conduct an Extension school of three days in dairy instruction assisted by Harold J. Shaw and Charles A. Morison. The school began Monday at the North Bethel Orange Hall and lasts three days.

Howard Fairs is home from the University of Maine for a few days vacation.

H. O. Dimes was at home from Lynn, Mass., over the holidays, and the week end.

Mrs. Dana Bell and sprained her ankle, Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary J. Llewellyn went to Trefoil's Hospital, Friday afternoon for treatment.

Oxford Royal Arch Chapter, No. 30, F. & A. M., held a stated convocation Wednesday evening at Masonic Hall, when there was work in the R. A. degree.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Congregational church met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Herman L. Hemen, when the subject was Home Missions.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Stearns were in Augusta last week. Mrs. Stearns was the guest of Mrs. Florence Hall, while Mr. Stearns attended to business.

Mrs. Emma Swan, who has been ill at her home at Norway Lake, is on the gain.

Several of the Norway boys in the Medical Department at the Post have been transferred to the 31st Regiment Artillery, Medical Department, among them Raymond Evers, Roland Stevens, Francis Child, Clyde Lapham, with

for the remainder of the week.

The seventh grade of the Norway Grammar school stands at the head in the Thrift Stamp campaign contest among the grades, as every one of the 41 pupils are the proud possessors of these stamps. The total number owned by the pupils is 140; Savings Stamps, 3; Liberty Bonds, 3; and the total amount raised by the class is \$247.37.

Lieut. John F. Wilson has received his second promotion since Company D landed in France. A few weeks ago he was promoted to First Lieutenant, and the past week received the second, that of Captain of Company D.

The Ladies' Circle at Norway Center was entertained the past week by Mrs. Carl Brown, Mrs. Arthur Yerrill and Mrs. W. A. Benson.

Intentions of marriage filed with the town clerk are those of Homer Dean Tubbs of Norway and Miss Florian Charlene Wheeler of Phillips, and Philip Dana Wright of Bath and Miss Ava Andrews of Norway.

The Ladies' Improvement Club of Norway was pleasantly entertained the past week at the home of Mrs. Ada Cox. An oyster supper was served.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one good reason why the science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical profession. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address: J. C. CHEW & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Lieut. Harold H. Allen and Sergt. Joseph E. Hunting.

Norway Clerks' Association held a special meeting Tuesday evening at the Municipal court room with a good number in attendance. President Maford Mann presided. The question was discussed as to the feasibility of changing the date of the annual ball, owing to the bad weather conditions that seem inevitable in February, the time the ball has always been held. The next event will be the 25th anniversary, and it is planned to have a big celebration. It was unanimously voted to change the date to the latter part of October. The same officers will serve as for the February ball, and the following committees were appointed: decorating, Charles S. Akers; music, Mrs. Charles R. Akers, Douglas Farrar, G. L. Curtis; refreshments, Miss Marguerite Frost, Mrs. Myron Farnum, Mrs. Iva Bowell, Herman Lewis, Harry Kimball; reception, all the lady clerks, with Miss Bernice Nash as chairman; badges, Mrs. Etta Hildan.

In the warrant for town meeting, to be held Monday, March 4, there are 43 articles, the new ones reading: Art. 4: To see if the town will vote to elect a Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, they to choose the chairman as requested by the State Board of Assessors. Art. 24: To see if the town in the exercise of its option will vote to have one, two, or three road commissioners. Art. 25: To see if the town will vote to build a road on Cottage street, and to see what sum of money the town will appropriate for this purpose. Art. 29: To see if the town will grant and raise \$200 to reduce the grade of French Hill at Swift's Corner, provided \$75 is otherwise contributed in money or labor. Art. 40: To see if the town would be in favor of the new road to Crockett Ridge and Millerville provided it cost no more than five thousand dollars. Art. 43: To see what method the town will take for the care of the new concrete street.

Donald B. Partridge has announced that he is a candidate on the Republican ticket for the office of clerk of courts.

Zecora Klein, B. A., professor of languages at the Pennsylvania State College, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Klein of Washington, D. C., as a censor of foreign mails. The offer is accompanied with a good salary, and it is arranged that he can be made for him to remain at College until April 1, Prof. Klein will accept.

Mrs. Miss Hartford of Denmark is the guest of Mrs. R. K. Merrill, Norway Center.

Ram Young, who lives at lower Main street, is ill with pneumonia. Both Mr. and Mrs. Young and their children have been sick with measles and Mr. Young was very sick.

Mrs. George P. Locke went to Lewiston, Thursday, where she met Mr. Locke, who returned home with her for a few days' stay, starting back to New York, Friday afternoon.

Mrs. G. L. Curtis returned home from Auburn, Thursday.

Earl Thibodeau came from Norton, Mass., Thursday evening for a few days stay before going to his new position in Storham, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Blake went to Portland Friday morning, where they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Chapman.

The ladies of the Methodist church held a sale of fancy articles, aprons, etc., Thursday afternoon at the church vestry, followed by a supper from 5 to 7 o'clock, served on the European plan. A good number patronized the sale and also the supper, the means being most attractive. Patriotic decorations were in evidence, and at each place at the tables were little red labels for souvenirs of the occasion.

P. F. Stone is displaying a service tag at his drug store containing three stars for three of the boys now in the service, who were former employees at the store: "Red" Shepard, who has recently been transferred from the Medical Department in the Army, and is stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., in the Reserve Officers' Training Camp; Mike McAllister, and Paul L. Brooks, both attached to the 1st Vermont Regiment at Camp Green, Charlotte, N. C., in the Medical Department.

Friday there were no sessions in the schools, on account of the holiday. Miss Ethel Rogers went to her home in Prospect for the week end, and Miss Margarette Longue spent the holiday and week end in Lewiston. Miss Arthur Longue of Lewiston is the guest of her sister, the Misses Marion and Margaret Longue, and will visit Miss Marion.

for the remainder of the week.

The seventh grade of the Norway Grammar school stands at the head in the Thrift Stamp campaign contest among the grades, as every one of the 41 pupils are the proud possessors of these stamps. The total number owned by the pupils is 140; Savings Stamps, 3; Liberty Bonds, 3; and the total amount raised by the class is \$247.37.

Lieut. John F. Wilson has received his second promotion since Company D landed in France. A few weeks ago he was promoted to First Lieutenant, and the past week received the second, that of Captain of Company D.

The Ladies' Circle at Norway Center was entertained the past week by Mrs. Carl Brown, Mrs. Arthur Yerrill and Mrs. W. A. Benson.

Intentions of marriage filed with the town clerk are those of Homer Dean Tubbs of Norway and Miss Florian Charlene Wheeler of Phillips, and Philip Dana Wright of Bath and Miss Ava Andrews of Norway.

The Ladies' Improvement Club of Norway was pleasantly entertained the past week at the home of Mrs. Ada Cox. An oyster supper was served.

DIXFIELD

There was a good attendance at the regular meeting of Monitor Chapter, O. E. S., held Tuesday evening, Feb. 19, at Masonic Hall. A pleasing program of music, songs, readings and quotations was given in observance of the birthday of noted men born in the month of February. At the close of the meeting the "Hind-side-for Troup," from Tinkerstown gave several performances, much to the merriment of those assembled. J. M. Holland, who is serving the seventh term as Worthy Patron of Monitor Chapter, and whose birthday occurs Feb. 5, was the guest of honor.

Mr. Holland received a beautiful birthday cake with the words "Worthy Patron" done in ornamental frosting. An original poem was read by the Worthy Matron, Mrs. Ada E. Mureh, which referred to some of the distinguished men born in the month of February. Following is the poem:

A Birthday Poem For February
A pleasing poem with us has been,
To observe the birthdays of noted men;
By quoting from their wonderful store
Of wit, and wisdom, by men of yore.

February seems the month to hold
A list of many, both brave and bold,
And also of those both good and true,
Which I will soon reveal to you.

Among the world's most famous sons,
Stands the cherished name of Washington's,
Whose fame is known both far and wide,
Bravely he lived, and as bravely died.

"With malice toward none, and charity
for all,"
Were Lincoln's words, which we recall.
With firmness in the right, as God gave
him sight to see
He lived the life, beloved by all humanity.

Writers of prose, and poetry grand,
Longfellow, Lowell and Dickens stand
Among the first of a grand array,
Whose works are read from day to day.

Gen. Wm. T. Sherman, both noble and brave
"War is cruelty," was a truth he gave.
"Sherman's March to the Sea," is remembered by all
Students and pupils, both great and small.

Dwight L. Moody, a most noted divine,
Won great renown in the religious line,
His fame as a preacher spread over the land,
His converts were many we understand.

Greeley, and Gould, and W. H. Harrison,
Roberts, and Curtis, and Thomas A. Edison;
Their vocations and gifts do greatly vary;
These talented men of February.

A score of others no doubt we'd find
As worthy of note as these in mind.
But a longer list, more time would take
To search for the names and the rhyme to make.

We have mentioned a few in days gone,
Now on our list comes the name of one
Who with honor, has filled the station
For six terms as our Worthy Patron.

Of Monitor Chapter, No. 70, O. E. S.,
His name will not be hard to guess,
And tonight Bro. Holland we extend to you
Birthday greetings, both warm and true.

May each year in the future hold
For you, health and joys untold!
And may each birthday that is in store
Prove happier than the one before.

You will be more pleased than ever
To have your names rhymed with the clever,
The noble, the brave, the kind and the good,
These excellent qualities are well understood.

Not for bravery alone do we tender
these greetings,
But for faithfulness to our Chapter meetings,
We trust your patience and faithfulness
Will always increase, and never be less.

Your wisdom and counsel we do note,
If we do not always express it by vote,
At "Monitor" members we heartily agree
To remember your birthdays that are to be.

This opportunity we now do take
To present to you this birthday cake,
And trust that you will receive many more
At the anniversaries there are in store.

Before February 24, nineteen, see,
"Ain,"
May peace be restored to all mankind,
And food conservations be a thing of yore,
And all the "sweets" we can have galore.

Then we can have fruit, instead of war,
Sweetened with sugar to go with our lunch.

MUCH MORE TUBERCULOSIS THAN SUPPOSED

National Association Says 50,000 More Hospital Beds Are Needed to Cope with Problem

At least 50,000 more tuberculosis hospital beds will be needed in the United States within the next two years to make possible the adequate control of the disease and check its tendency to increase its ravages under war conditions as it has in Europe during the last three years. This is the latest estimate of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, in a statement issued at New York recently. There are 43,000 beds available in the country at present.

This estimate is based on a revised conception of the prevalence of the disease as the result largely of the examination of recruits and drafted men for our new army and navy. Until recent years it was estimated that for every death from tuberculosis in the country there were five active cases of the disease. It is now believed that the true ratio is twice or three times as great. Instead of about 1,000,000 active cases in the country there are probably between two and three million.

"This does not mean that there has been any such increase in tuberculosis," says the statement. "It does mean that we have evolved new and more accurate methods of measuring it, with corresponding possibilities of more complete control. In the military medical examinations so far, an average of about two per cent of the men of draft age in the country at large are found to be tuberculous."

"These results are corroborated by unusual deductions from the records of the first year of the community health demonstrations being carried on at Framingham, Mass., by the National Association. Framingham was selected for this work as being a typical average American community. So far 2,000 people, or about one-third of the population of Framingham, have been rigidly examined, including all classes from millworkers to well-to-do commuters. Out of these approximately 100 definite cases of tuberculosis have been discovered. Framingham has had for some time an average annual death list of 15 from tuberculosis. If not another case of the disease should be found on examining the rest of the population, this would give a ratio of disease to death twice as large as formerly estimated."

"While the directors of the Framingham work refuse to draw any official conclusion from the figures as yet obtained, they admit that the above deductions are conservative. The subject of the work there is to demonstrate that any community by proper methods can determine the exact number of cases of this disease within its borders and by getting these cases under control eventually stamp out the malady."

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And that is what we have tonight.

We will now serve lunch and sample the drink.
It may prove better than what you think,
And Bro. Holland, repeating the wishes said before,
May the joy of each birthday prove more and more.

SPRAYING POTATOES PAYS

This is shown by Cooperative Experiments Conducted at Aroostook Farm in 1917.

Some potato growers have expressed the opinion that it does not pay to spray potatoes for late blight. They claim that when the weather conditions are such that the disease is severe, spraying does not control it sufficiently to give an appreciable increase in yield, also that in seasons when the attack is light the increase in yield from spraying is not sufficient to cover the added cost. Consequently they maintain that spraying is unprofitable at any time.

That thorough spraying will control late blight in seasons of bad infection has been proven many times in the past, particularly in Maine, and most recently in Aroostook County in 1917. Among other places in the county this was shown conclusively at Aroostook Farm where extensive experiments were conducted by the United States Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station.

In one block where small test plots sprayed with standard bordeaux mixture were interspersed with untreated check plots the average yield on 11 of the former was at the rate of 181.2 bushels per acre, while that on an equal number of untreated plots was at the rate of 143.5 bushels per acre. This was an increase of 37.7 bushels per acre, or more than 24 per cent in favor of bordeaux mixture.

In another similar block the average yield of 5 plots sprayed with bordeaux

mixture was at the rate of nearly 237 bushels per acre, while that of the 4 untreated check plots in the same block was 174.3 bushels. The gain here was 62.5 bushels per acre or about 36 per cent, due to spraying. Six applications were made on all the above mentioned sprayed plots.

On these experimental plots spraying ought to have been started 10 days or 2 weeks sooner, by the end of the first week in July. In spite of this fact the yields given above indicate quite plainly that spraying paid. Moreover, many persons who saw the plots during the latter part of the season have testified to the striking differences on sprayed and unsprayed portions. On all the treated plots the spraying was done with a traction sprayer which maintained a good working pressure of at least 150 pounds per square inch.

Adjoining one of the experimental blocks was a field where spraying was begun earlier and 8 or 9 applications were made. It was planted with the same lot of the same variety of seed, fertilized the same and, except for spraying, received similar treatment in every respect. The yield on the portion of this field immediately adjoining one of the unsprayed check plots was 367.3 bushels per acre. Comparing this with the averages of the unsprayed check plots mentioned above shows a gain of 123.8 and 93 bushels per acre respectively, or over 86 and 53 per cent. In none of the above figures is any account made of the extra loss resulting from tuber rot in storage in the crop produced on the unsprayed plots.

1917 was one of the worst blight years in the history of Aroostook potato growing. The results cited above show conclusively that, even under the conditions that existed, late blight can be controlled by a grower who sets out to do the job thoroughly. Moreover, they indicate that it can be done at a fair profit when the cost is considered in connection with the value of the increased yield resulting from the treatment.

Class. H. Woods, Director.

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THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—
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Mothers as they joy
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MOTHERS WISE

To Have Good Children You
Them a Chance to Be

Helen Johnson Key
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THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

MOTHER-WISDOM

To Have Good Children You Must Give Them a Chance to Be Good

Helen Johnson Keyes
Children will be good if you give them a chance to be. Perhaps this sounds as if training our boys and girls were easy but that is not my meaning. I think it is very difficult to give them the chance. It means sacrifices, planning, patience and time on the part of the parents.

One of our great students of children, Dr. George W. Jacoby, says, "The child is not bodily or mentally a miniature reproduction of grown-ups." Then he goes on to remind us how a child is continually changing. He begins life as a little animal, he goes on to a stage like that of our savage human ancestors, then he advances farther to the period of childhood and finally he arrives at ideas and standards of living like our own.

It took the human race hundreds and hundreds of years to develop from the animal state to the ideas which control us today; it takes a child sixteen or seventeen years to pass rapidly through the same changes. We can not hurry him much. We must understand his needs during the different periods, supply these needs and gently lead him on and up into the next epoch. We must make each period good of its kind or else he will not gain from it the experience which leads to success in the next period. It is like a child's school work; if he does not learn the lessons of the first grade, he will not get on in the second grade.

The first two years represent the animal stage. The good mother feeds her child with great care. She bathes it tenderly, keeps it in the fresh air and away from excitement. If a mother fails to do these things, her child passes over to the next period with poor health. She has failed to understand and supply his needs at this age. She has laid upon him, probably, the curse of a weak stomach and a nervous disposition. Furthermore, the wise mother, while she attended in the best way to baby's physical requirements, has been doing something else too. By feeding him regularly and teaching him to sleep when put down, she has laid the foundations of obedience, self-control and orderliness. How different already is her healthy, "good" child, from the colicky, fretful child of the unwise mother!

These two children enter on their second period. In this second period, that which lasts from two to ten years of age, they are little savages. One is a healthy savage, the other a sickly one. They have begun to try to get, forcibly, what they want. Often it would harm them and they must be made to obey.

Of course the healthy child is easier to train because his training began when he was born and he is used to having his mother lay down the law. Besides, he is happy and well and so does not find disappointments so hard as the nervous child does.

At this age, they want to find out much about the world and they must do it through their eyes, ears and fingers. Eyes and ears will serve them better and better as the years go on—barring accidents—until old age dalls them; but their finger tips will never again be so delicate as they are then.

MOTHERS TO BE

Should Read Mrs. Monahan's Letter Published by Her Permission.

Mitchell, Ind.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me so much during the time I was looking forward to the coming of my little one that I am recommending it to other expectant mothers. Before taking it, sometimes I suffered with nervousness so badly that I thought I could not live, but after taking three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was entirely relieved of nervousness. I had gained in strength and was able to go around and do all my housework. My baby when seven months old weighed 15 pounds and I feel better than I have for a long time. I never had any medicine on me so much good."—Mrs. FRANK MONAHAN, Mitchell, Ind.

Good health during maternity is a most important factor to both mother and child, and many letters have been received by the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., telling of health restored during this trying period by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Never again will they search out so keenly the real character of what they touch, as before the seventh year.

The wise mother gives her child many things to feel. She has a box in which she puts scraps of silk, wool, cotton, straws and beads, empty spoons, sandpaper and cardboard cut in many different shapes. Of course he must be taught to keep his hands off the ornaments which he might break and soil but she will be patient, though firm, in teaching him, because she understands that to feel things is one of his needs at this age. It is a way in which he is educating himself. By this habit he is learning texture, form, number.

Soon he will make things; wagons out of boxes and spoons, Indian clothes out of old rags, fringes and beads; he will whistle bows, arrows and swords. He may have blunt scissors with which to cut. At first he will clip the paper only into shapely scraps but finally he will attempt birds, animals and people. This will teach him to look at things more carefully.

The precious habit of loving nature may be started. The darting birds, the flitting insects, the gay butterflies will attract him. The wise mother calls his attention to these and then leaves him alone to watch them. How "good" he is! Of course! He has a chance to be good.

The sickly child is disturbed by stomach ache. Besides, his unwise mother says "don't" to him all the time. She does not know what his needs are at this age; she is annoyed to see him put his hands on everything; she is afraid he would cut his clothing if she gave him scissors; he might wander off if she let him out in the yard alone, for he has not learned to obey. He is dreadfully "naughty!" Of course! For he is given no chance to be good—no health, no habit of obedience, no opportunity to do what his age urges him to do.

School is begun. The difficult arts of reading and writing must be mastered. Again, the physical condition of the children makes a difference in their progress. The one with a good digestion and sound nerves can be more regular in attendance, he is more attentive to work in the class and tires less quickly.

He has already acquired, before school age, many habits which help him. He knows how to use his hands. Through touch, he has found out about shapes so that he learns his letters rather quickly. With the toys in the scrap box he has counted, added, taken away so that little problems in arithmetic are clear to him. He has observed the flying and growing things and consequently he can observe a blackboard. When he is promoted at the new term, he feels so pleased and proud that he actually likes school.

The badly reared boy hates school heartily, especially when he finds he must stay back and try again to understand what the teacher has been saying day after day. He does not know how to pay attention nor how to use his sight, hearing and hands. He is "bad" and "troublesome." Of course! He was not given a chance to learn what he should have learned in the animal and savage stages, which came before and which should have prepared him for this. Poor youngster, he is not ready for the demands made upon him!

OXFORD

The Sophomore Class of Oxford High school held an entertainment and social in S. of T. Hall, Thursday evening. The program consisted of choruses by the school; songs by Eva Record, Marjorie LeBroek; instrumental solo, Inez Farris; recitations by Nellie Poitelle, Lona Rowe, Emory McAllister and Theodore Stone. Mystery boxes and popcorn were on sale.

The Methodist Circle held a meeting on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Ruth Bean.

The Woman's Home Missionary meeting met last week on Friday evening with Mrs. S. P. Keene.

The Robinson Miss. Co. has closed for an indefinite period owing to coal shortage.

Walter Bean has sold his residence on Pleasant street to William Poole.

Alvin Flood was in town for the week end.

Harry Ray was at home a few days recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Jackson are visiting in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Tucker are the guests of Mrs. Emma Heven.

Velma Lord is visiting Mrs. Evelyn Farrington.

Mrs. Hattie Lant and Mrs. Alice Ris are visiting Mrs. Hattie Wood.

Prin. Ralph Parmenter spent a few days in Portland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Parrott and Joseph Parrott are in Massachusetts and Rhode Island for a few weeks.

Francis Oliver spent the week end in Portland.

Mrs. Lucille Storer and children are at home.

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POULTRY RAISING WOMAN'S OPPORTUNITY

Writer Calls for Few Hens in Every Back Yard—Gives Hints on Feeding and Care

By G. E. Conkey

Women can raise poultry just as well, or perhaps better, than men. This not only will add to the upkeep of the home but will afford a certain amount of recreation and exercise, relaxing the mind from the monotonous daily grind of home work. Children can easily be taught the care of poultry, laying a foundation for business methods and responsibility that will prove of great value in future life.

Every family having a small space available can keep a few hens. Proper feed and care will make them produce sufficient eggs and meat to supply the home table and probably enough more for marketing.

Decide that you will be a producer of food. Be prepared to take up the raising of poultry or start a garden. If possible, do both. There is much green food, such as vegetable tops and many weeds that can be turned to profit by the hens.

ONLY LIMITED SPACE REQUIRED

Contrary to the ideas of many, the keeping of poultry can be made profitable even in very limited space. I have seen thousands of places where poultry was made to prove profitable where only a small shed or large box was used as a poultry house, with very small space for runs attached. Where cleanliness is observed only small space is necessary in which to confine the stock from the garden or flowers.

It is quite interesting to see the results that can be accomplished with a few well-bred hens. Let your motto be not how many, but how good. Produce standard-bred stock of some reliable breeder who has given careful consideration to the production of eggs in the selection of his breeding stock. There is really no best breed of chickens; it is all a question of breeding for quality wanted. Select whatever breed appeals to you most, but remember that the laying of eggs is an act of reproduction that has been highly developed through domestication.

FEEDS AND EXERCISE

The greatest possible egg production can be obtained only through a combination of health, vitality and contentment, along with proper feeding, housing and breeding. Supplying the proper food for the production of eggs or meat is available but little unless the stock is in a healthy condition and has the power to digest and assimilate the nutriment from the food and convert it into the proper channels for the nourishing and building up of the body. To reach this high state of physical fitness fowls must be kept free from disease and lice. They must have sanitary quarters and an opportunity to exercise and scratch for at least a portion of their feed.

A little green food should be fed once each day; this to consist of vegetable tops or lawn clippings. For young or old stock, sprouted oats as a green food cannot be excelled. These may be sprouted by filling a bucket one fourth full of oats. Cover with warm water. After soaking twenty-four hours, pour them into another bucket that has a number of nail holes in the bottom which allows the water to drain. Place this behind the kitchen range or near the furnace where the temperature will range anywhere from 60 to 70 degrees. More than 70 will cause oats to mould or sour. Cover with damp cloth or sack. Stir gently with hands once each day, keeping oats only moist. If too dry, sprinkle with warm water. In five or six days oats will have long white sprouts and are ready for feeding. This gives you rich nutritious food in the best digestible form inasmuch as it gives you the benefit of the nitrogen which the oat sprouts have extracted from the air, aiding in the digestion of other foods.

For best results fowls kept for egg production should be fed three times each day. When desired, dry mash may be placed in hoppers so constructed as to avoid waste and kept before the fowls at all times. This mash usually consists of wheat bran, clover meal, middlings, corn meal and other by-products from grains. Meat in some form is essential for both egg production and growth, and should represent at least 15 per cent of the ration.

BUTTERMILK FOR POULTRY

Butter milk or buttermilk is recommended by the government as being the best known feed for poultry of all ages, but more especially for chicks. It is not only a highly nutritious food, but contains the lactic acid that is so beneficial in correcting and preventing white diarrhoea and many other forms of bowel trouble, which not only cause the loss of thousands of baby chicks annually, but make many of those that do survive useless for breeders, as these germs are quite often carried in the parent stock and transmitted to the offspring through breeding.

It is estimated by government officials that more than 70 per cent of the chicks hatched in this country are lost through bowel trouble. Consequently, it is important that every care possible be taken to carry the chicks over the critical period of the first few weeks.

Much depends on the care and feed they receive during the early development of the body, as it is during this period that the first formation of all eggs that can possibly be laid during life takes place. Nutritious feed that is well balanced is of great importance in securing rapid growth. The rapid growth makes the best layers. Those wishing to succeed with poultry will find the rearing of young stock a source of much pleasure and profit. Along with other commercial lines of live stock raising, the value of the young is increased rapidly. This with the very limited space required, should make raising of poultry a source of opportunity to every back lotter may assist in relieving the present crisis in the shortage of food production.

CANTON

D. A. Freeman had a toe amputated a few days ago, which has been troubling him for some time.

Herman Tirrell is ill at the home of E. H. York.

Nathan B. Walte is at home from Portland, where he attends business college.

Rev. Carrie M. Price has gone to Kingsfield, where she has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church.

Donald Adams is recovering from an illness.

Earl Tripp is ill with the measles.

Ralph McCallum has purchased the Fletcher house on High street and is moving there this week.

Mrs. L. B. Smith and son have gone to Livermore Falls on a visit.

A hulled corn supper and what party held at the Grange Hall, Saturday night for the benefit of the Red Cross, netted about \$14.

Gay F. Boothby dislocated his shoulder, Saturday, when he slipped and fell at the local tannery plant.

Mrs. Marion A. Smith returned Saturday night from an extended visit in Auburn.

The funeral of Lowell B. Smith, who passed away last week after a long period of ill health, was held at the home Thursday at 12:30 o'clock. Rev. Carrie M. Price officiating. Among the floral offerings was a lovely piece from John A. Dodge Relief Corps. The interment was at Pine Woods Cemetery. Among those from out of town who attended were his two sons, Clifton Smith of Rumford and Willis Smith of Lewiston, and G. C. Russell of Rumford. Mr. Smith was born in Peru, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Smith and was nearly 82 years of age. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Sarah Ripley, a daughter of Harry and Jane Ripley. From this union five sons were born: Charles, who passed away several years ago; Willis, who resides in Lewiston; Frank, of Lynn, Mass.; Clinton, of Rumford, and Fred Smith. After the death of Mrs. Smith he married Mrs. Grace Ashworth of Livermore Falls, who survives. He also leaves several grandchildren. Mr. Smith was a Civil War veteran, a member of the 10th Maine Regiment.

Arthur Tucker of Yarmouthville has been visiting friends in town.

Geo. Lavorgna is in a hospital at Charlotte, N. C., with the mumps.

Mrs. G. F. Towle has been visiting her brother and family at North Truro.

John A. Dodge Relief Corps will hold an apron sale and serve a supper in the near future, the proceeds of which will be used to purchase knitting material for the soldiers.

Franklin Mead of North Bridgton, a grandson of the late Franklin Mayo of Canton, is serving his country in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Burdell Wright, who have been employed at Winchester, N. H., for the past year have returned home.

A. F. Russell, Jr. went to Rumford, Wednesday evening to visit the Masonic lodge in his official capacity as district deputy and to Dixfield, Tuesday evening.

G. C. Russell of Rumford has been a guest of relatives in town.

Miss Nellie Michaels will remain for a time as assistant at the Canton High school, instead of going to Leavitt Institute as planned.

Washington's birthday was observed by exercises in the village schools, Friday.

Mrs. William F. Mitchell, Jr., who has been quite ill, is improving.

The senior class of Canton High school presented the drama, "The Dust of the Earth," at Canton Opera House, Friday evening to a full house. Those who took part were: Harold Bradford, Miss Mabel Hines, Miss Ora Woodward, Miss Trippe, Ansel Ellis, Miss Beth Johnson, Rodney McCollister, Clara Ludden, Miss Madeline Hines and Prin. Frederick J. Pope, who took the part assigned Donald Adams who was ill. All characters were well taken. Among the specialties was the old-fashioned minstrel danced by eight children in costumes of "olden time." Donald B. Partridge of Norway gave "Ticklish Reuben," in his usual fine manner. Music for the evening was furnished by Arthur Westgate, Eleanor Westgate and Swasey Wadlin. A social dance followed and ice cream was on sale. About \$50 was netted for the expenses of the graduating class.

Mrs. E. D. Waterhouse delightfully

entertained the Ladies' Aid of Hartford, Thursday, at an all day meeting.

A bonafide dinner was served at noon, to which 48 were present. In the evening a whist party was held with three tables. Recitations, readings and singing were enjoyed, and refreshments were served.

Everett Reynolds is ill.

Miss Ethel W. Russell of Auburn has been visiting her parents, A. F. Russell and wife.

Mrs. Chas. Merry of Madison has been a guest of Mrs. W. B. Gilbert.

Albert Dodge of South Paris has been spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. L. B. Card, and family.

D. H. Partridge of Norway has been a guest of friends in town.

Swasey Wadlin, who has enlisted for service, left for Newport, Sunday.

Word has been received that Fred Ellis, who was on his way home on a furlough, is ill in a hospital in New York.

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NORTH WATERFORD

Mrs. Bell Brown, who has been with her son, Walter, for the past year, passed away Tuesday morning at his home. She had a shock several years ago, and has been helpless since that time. She leaves three sons, Walter, Neil, Arnold, and one daughter, Mrs. Frances Clough. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery at this place.

Schools have closed until April 1. Miss Lord, the primary teacher, does not expect to come back again.

The men who have been cutting timber on Grant road have finished, and are working on the "valley road" now.

M. F. Knight is driving Harry Brown's team for a few days.

Reuben Nason has a team hauling pine for Ernest Crouse, taking Ernest Ray's place.

Gay McAllister, Mahlon Grover and his niece, Edith Andrews, went to Paris, Saturday. Edith remained with her aunt, Mrs. Ernest Paine. The Paines have moved to Oxford this week, where Mrs. Paine has employment on a milk farm.

Mrs. Elma Seaton and son, Rex, have gone to Waterville, where she will work for her brother-in-law, A. L. Chaplin.

Benjamin Kimball is with his mother, Mrs. Matilda Black.

WERE THE CHILDREN NAMED?

Fifty-six children born in Brunswick, Maine, during 1917 have never been named according to the books of the town clerk. In a recent issue of the Brunswick Record the editor calls attention to the fact that the births of only 120 out of 176 children born in 1917 were properly recorded. "In years to come more than one of these 56 children will need a certificate of birth, but unfortunately it will be impossible for the town clerk to furnish it."

Brunswick is not alone in the failure of many parents and physicians to attend to the records of birth, says the State Department of Health in its weekly statement. Everywhere the carelessness is evident and must be guarded against. During one year, the Philadelphia Bureau of Vital Statistics received daily an average of forty requests for copies of birth certificates, the majority of which could not be granted because the births were never recorded. The birth certificate is of vital importance to the child who may some time be called upon to prove his age. Retained names have forfeited the right to work as a certain age has been taken away, all proof of citizenship has often been lost because the simple act of recording birth was neglected.

LOOKE'S MILLS

Robert Crockett of Bryant's Pond called on his brother, W. H. Crockett, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Stowell visited with relatives in Mechanic Falls, Friday and Saturday.

Drs. Brown and Wight of Bethel were in town on business, Wednesday.

Mrs. William Smith and baby left Saturday for New York, where she will join her husband.

C. B. Tebbets and Chris Bryant were out of town on business, Saturday.

Mrs. Harley Trice of Norway was a Sunday visitor with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Stowell.

Marjorie Farwell and Louis Tirrell were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Farwell at Middle Intervale.

Mrs. Harriet Herrick has been visiting relatives in Bethel.

W. H. Swift was in Lewiston, Saturday.

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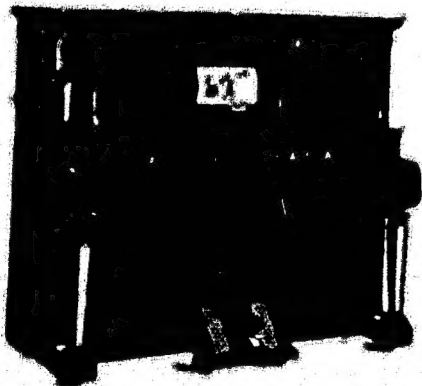
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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

The annual town meeting will be held Monday, March 4th.

Mr. Stanley Wheeler of So. Paris was a business visitor in town, Saturday.

Mr. Elmer Benn has completed his duties at the store of Ceylon Rowe & Son.

Mrs. Eli Stearns has gone to the Children's Hospital, Portland, for treatment.

Miss Miriam Herrick, who has been spending several days with friends in Boston, returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evander Whitman spent Sunday with Mrs. Whitman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Andrews, of Norway.

Mrs. E. C. Frost came down from The Glen, Thursday, to see her mother, Mrs. Lucy Folsom, who is quite ill of bronchitis.

Mrs. Sidney Abbott, who was with her niece, Miss Annie Frye, during her last sickness, returned to her home in Andover, Friday.

Mr. Elmon Jordan of Mechanic Falls was in town, Saturday, to see his father, Mr. Harry Jordan, who has been ill, but is now improving.

Mrs. Harriett Twaddle and son, Dr. Wild Twaddle, were called to Auburn, Monday, by the illness of Mrs. Twaddle's son, Dr. Gard Twaddle.

Among those from out of town who attended the funeral of Mr. Arthur Douglas, Monday, were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Douglas of Portland, Mrs. A. T. Heath of Olean, Mr. R. C. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Hill, Mrs. Percy Noyes, Mrs. Winnie Hall, Miss Lizzie Gammon, Mr. Ralph Flood and Mr. Frank Gammon all of Norway.

Bethel now has a new undertaker. Mr. Guy E. Jack formerly of Portland has been in town several days and has decided to settle in business here. His headquarters for the present will be Maple Inn until he is able to get the location he wants for his undertaking rooms. Mr. Jack is a graduate of Monmouth Academy and later attended Kent's Hill Seminary, going from there to work for L. C. Roberts of Readfield in the furniture and undertaking business where he remained for four years, and then with Wakefield and McNaughton of Gardiner as licensed embalmer and funeral director, thus giving him experience in both country and city work. Mr. Jack is a man of pleasing appearance and comes to Bethel highly recommended.

ALBANY
A. G. Bean, who has been having the grip, is getting along nicely. Mrs. Bean, who was taken sick with it a few days after he was, is on the gain, too. Fletcher Bean has been doing the chores for them, and Marion Bean is doing the housework.

Miss Bean, who has been at home for the short time, returned to Andover, Tuesday. Wood has been preparing so they hope now to be able to heat the school building where she is teaching.

Wallace E. Cummings has finished cutting wood for Abel Andrews and is working for Arthur Andrews.

Arthur Andrews and family were guests at Benner Grover's of North Waterford, recently.

Mrs. Ella Cummings has returned from East Waterford, where she has been caring for Mrs. Clayton McFarlane and little daughter.

Geo. Kimball of North Bridgton bought a calf of H. I. Bean, also two cows of A. G. Bean, recently.

Albert Kenniston is cutting wood for L. J. Andrews.

AVOID PNEUMONIA

Pneumonia kills more than 1,000 Maine people every year, says the State Department of Health. The largest number of deaths occur in February and March as a general rule, with January, April and May close followers. Pneumonia is not confined to any age though the mortality is greatest among middle-aged and older people. It is now understood that every case of pneumonia should be regarded as a possible source of infection. Patients should be isolated as much as possible and communication with other people reduced to a minimum. All utensils, clothing, handkerchiefs, and bedding should be kept separate and sterilized before being used again. Those in attendance on pneumonia patients should avoid unnecessary contact with others. Fresh air is considered one of the leading factors in the prevention and the cure of pneumonia. Care should be taken, when the weather changes, to avoid colds and other weakening diseases, which act as predisposing causes, says the Department.

Dr. I. H. Wight was a business visitor in South Paris, Saturday.

Mr. Chas. Cross of Gorham, N. H., was the guest of relatives in town last week.

Mr. A. Van Den Kerckhoven attended a telephone meeting in Lewiston, Tuesday evening.

Mr. H. M. Farwell is assisting Mr. Ira Jordan in the store during the illness of Mr. Harry Jordan.

Miss Margaret Herrick returned to her laboratory research work at Harvard Medical School, Tuesday.

Miss Iona Tibbetta of Gorham Normal School spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tibbetta.

Mrs. Evander Whitman attended the wedding of her sister, Miss Ava Andrews, last Saturday afternoon at Norway.

Mrs. J. G. Gehring and niece, Miss Natalie True, who have been spending a few days in Portland, have returned home.

Mr. Judson Carver, who has been spending a few weeks with relatives at Bryant's Pond, has returned to his son's, Mr. I. L. Carver.

The people on the Baker place near Songo Pond who have been having small pox, have recovered and the quarantine was lifted Monday.

Wolfgang Thomas of the Abbott School, Farmington, spent the holiday with his parents, Hon. and Mrs. W. W. Thomas, who are spending the winter at Bethel Inn.

There will be a dance at Grange Hall, Friday night, March 1st. This dance is practically free and everybody is invited. The object of the dance is to help introduce the U. S. Government War Savings Stamps and we hope to see a large number during the evening. To get in you are required to invest 25 cents in a Thrift Stamp and donate 10 cents to the Red Cross. The dance will start at 8 o'clock. Refreshments of ice cream and cake will be served.

The Duxbury Club was out for a look, and they wanted Mrs. Davis to do her part.

To her home on High street they made their way.

With dainty refreshments and pink for array.

A pinch of green tea with a slice of lemon in it.

Reminded them of Hoover but he wasn't in it.

The evening was spent by the seven members in knitting.

Not counting their stitches while they were sitting.

Ten o'clock came and with hearty good wishes.

They left for their homes with empty dishes.

One of the Seven.

SONGO POND

Miss Maxine Clough is spending a few days in Bethel, the guest of her aunt, Miss Vera Holt.

George Morey is working for Abner R. Kimball.

Fred Murphy is stopping with L. N. Kimball.

Herman Brown was in Norway, Monday.

John Kimball of Locke's Mills called on his mother, Mrs. R. C. Kimball, one day last week.

Mrs. Charles Lyon of Bethel and Mrs. Harry Lyon and daughter, Eleanor, of Grover Hill were Sunday guests at Geo. Haygood's.

Mrs. Will Burbee and two children spent a few days with Mrs. Abner Kimball before going to East Bethel with James Burbee and family.

Mrs. Herman R. Brown and baby, Everett, who have been in Norway for the past week, helping Mrs. Imogene Brown, who has been ill, have returned home.

F. H. Bennett is on the sick list. Mr. Abner Kimball and son, Leon, visited with Mrs. Tom Logan, Sunday.

Arnold Brown is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. Millard Clough, before returning to No. Waterford.

WEST BETHEL

W. D. Mills and O. D. Merrill were in East Stoneham one day last week.

Miss Ethel Allen returned to her home here Saturday, having spent a number of weeks in Cambridge, Mass.

Mrs. Billie Hall, who has been spending some weeks in Portland, returned home Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert from Westbrook, P. Q., visited Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gilbert last week.

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SUNDAY RIVER

James Mundt of Grover Hill visited his uncle, Jim Splancy, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving French spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Williamson.

Joe Splancy finished hauling wood to Bryant's mill and commenced working for Robert Foster, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter born the 22nd.

Mrs. C. A. Baker spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. C. O. Eames, in Middle Intervale last week.

Frank Williamson harvested his ice last week.

H. M. Kendall has sold his hay press to the Berlin Mills Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Parker visited at Lorin Trask's, West Paris, recently.

Wm. Powers, Jr., keeps house for them during their absence.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bean are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, Feb. 20. Mrs. Bean is in Andover being cared for by her sister, Mrs. Millet Lombard.

Mrs. Harry Williamson called at H. M. Kendall's, Monday.

NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE CO., MANCHESTER, N. H.

Assets Dec. 31, 1917

Real Estate, \$300,000.00

Mortgage Loans, 5,507.50

Stocks and Bonds, 5,021,477.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 411,123.28

Agents' Balances, 578,510.31

Bills Receivable, 15,372.76

Interest and Rents, 55,673.40

Gross Assets, \$7,388,503.25

Deduct Items not admitted, 4,400.57

Admitted Assets, \$7,383,893.68

Liabilities Dec. 31, 1917

Not Unpaid Losses, \$478,432.32

Unearned Premiums, 3,157,185.54

All other Liabilities, 236,185.20

Cash Capital, 1,500,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,112,189.63

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,383,893.68

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PROBATE NOTICES

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court at Paris in vacation in and for the County of Oxford, on the twenty-seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1918, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Sarah W. Brown, late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Elery C. Park as executor thereof presented by Elery C. Park, the executor therein named. The appointment to be made without bond, according to said will.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

2-23-18.

MAINE COUNTY WEEKLIES FREE

By arrangements with some of our brother publishers, we are able to offer trial subscriptions, one month, of several of our Maine County Weeklies, free of charge.

If you are interested in any of the sections which they represent, we should be pleased to have you make request for any one of these papers, in person, or by postal.

Androscoggin, Lisbon Enterprise, Arundel, Arundel Pioneer, Arundel, Fort Fairfield Review, Cumberland, Brunswick Record, Franklin, Franklin Journal, Knox, Camden Herald, Penobscot, Eastern Gazette, Piscataquis, Guilford Register, Somerset, Independent-Reporter, York, Kennebec Enterprise.

While it is intended to send only one of the above papers, under the offer, if you are interested in the news from more than one of the counties mentioned, we should probably honor your request, even if you should ask for several of these papers.

U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

You without doubt are complaining of the high cost of living. Back in the days of the Revolution Abigail Adams was doing the same thing. Here are some prices quoted from a letter she wrote her husband, the second President of the United States, given out recently by the Food Administration:

Meat—\$1.00 to \$2.00 a pound.

Corn—\$2.00 a bushel.

Rye—\$3.00 a bushel.

Potatoes—\$10.00 a bushel.

Molasses—\$12.00 a gallon.

Flour—\$5.00 a hundredweight.

Cider—\$40.00 a barrel.

Cheese—\$2.00 a pound.

Butterfat—\$3.00 a pound.

Sugar—\$3.00 a pound.

This was Abigail's list in 1776. In 1779 sugar rose to \$4.00 a pound and tea the same. In 1780 butter sold for \$12.00 a pound and tea for \$40.00.

Such were the prices in Revolution—any times when we were trying to carry on a war and feed only ourselves at the same time.

CHILD WELFARE PLANS

Reports received at the State Department of Health indicate a general interest in the plans for the Children's Year which begins April 8th. It is evident that many communities in the State will take an active part in the child welfare campaign. Maine's effort to save more than 575 babies, the quota assigned by the Federal Children's Bureau, will be a war move as well as a move to make society more efficient for the years following the war.

RUM

An examination State Certificate of elementary grade was last in Municipal Hall.

Miss Amelia Paquin position in the Rum.

On Thursday evening D. D. C. Learned a present at a meeting.

Lodge for the purpose, after which it in the Bank of Equity made at that time.

Night which is to be of March 28th.

The Willing Work church are rehearsing presented in March, given to the Red Cross.

Plans are well on Freeman's Hall which Municipal Hall on the 1st. The committee pointed. Over a dozen.

Freeman's Association pany B and a service number of stars will hall decorations.

Members of Company who have received from are William Hanley, 5.

Ena Carrier, each be 2nd Lieutenant.

Friends and relatives Jr., formerly of this to been working in California.

six years, will be inter his promotion to sergeant camp, 1st Regiment.

at Waco, Texas, where located. Mr. Ash has vice of the United States month.

Mrs. Fred Berry has pretty handkerchief views, showing the life from George Christoph.

Port Ogilthorpe, Georgia Mr. and Mrs. Glendon.

Prospect avenue are recedations upon the birth of The Misses Grondin, spending this week in New York.

Miss Sadie Dennis is at the Cummings Construction the afternoon, when she ing school.

Deputy Sheriff L. L. Sheriff Philip Lessard, aty Sheriff William Cyr for tax collector at the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. William moved into the lower room ly Bissbee house on Wal.

Morton is a chemist at the A whilst party was held day evening at the Ch building, the proceeds going for Red Cross.

Thirty-five members of Lodge of Elks are releasing Elks Minstrel Show sent in Majestic Theatre and 5th. An orchestra of will furnish the music. Bureau of Portland is drill.

The performances are for Company B. The Elks are plans for a May ball to be principal hall on the evening.

The boys of Company B core the proceeds from this training class are making which presents for the boys B will be sent. The boys grade at the Pettongill school a bird feeding station be placed in the grove l building and kept well a bird food.

Selectman John Martin pointed director of the U. Public Service Reserve whose duty it will be to en are willing to serve the cou building. Mr. Martin has ready several of the industry.

Mrs. Andrew T. Nolan's has had a stroke of paralysis a precarious condition.

Mrs. K. J. Roderick of street is in Waterville visit her, who is a sister in the that city.

Twelve Eades and Nor have formed a club the "Outing Club" whose p to take an active interest sports, such as coasting and principal winter sports of the country. Mat Nelson is master. Mr. Sorenson is present. Miss Mildred Johnson is secretary.

Mrs. Harry Heath of Park is recovering from a lack of sore throat.

Mr. and Mrs. George G. Waldo street are receiving c

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RUMFORD

An examination of candidates for State Certificates for teachers of the elementary grade was held on Saturday last in Municipal Hall.

Miss Amelia Paquin has accepted a position in the Rumford National Bank.

On Thursday evening of this week, D. D. G. Learned of Andover will be present at a meeting of the Bethel Lodge for the purpose of installing officers, after which there will be work in the Bank of Equine. Plans will be made at that time for the Ladies' Night which is to be held on the evening of March 28th.

The Willing Workers of the Baptist church are rehearsing a drama to be presented in March; the proceeds to be given to the Red Cross.

Plans are well under way for the Fireman's Ball which is to be held in Municipal Hall on the evening of April 1st. The committees have been appointed. Over a dozen members of the Fireman's Association belong to Company B and a service flag, bearing the number of stars will be used in the hall decorations.

Members of Company B of Rumford, who have received promotion in France, are William Hanley, Robert Shand, and Ena Carrier, each being promoted to 2nd Lieutenant.

Friends and relatives of Philip Ash, Jr., formerly of this town, and who has been working in California for the past six years, will be interested to learn of his promotion to sergeant in the aviation camp, 1st Regiment, 5th Squad, at Waco, Texas, where he is at present located. Mr. Ash has been in the service of the United States a little over a month.

Mr. Fred Berry has received a very pretty handkerchief case and folding views, showing the life of a soldier, from George Christopher, who is at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Stephens of Prospect avenue are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

The Misses Grondin, milliners, are spending this week in Boston and New York.

Miss Sadie Dennis is stenographer for the Cummings Construction Company in the afternoon, when she is not attending school.

Deputy Sheriff L. L. Niles, Deputy Sheriff Philip Lessard, and former Deputy Sheriff William Cyr are candidates for tax collector at the annual town meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morton have moved into the lower rent in the Stanley Biebee house on Waldo street. Mr. Morton is a chemist at the Oxford mill.

A whist party was held on Wednesday evening at the Chisholm School building; the proceeds going to the Junior Red Cross.

Thirty-five members of the Rumford Lodge of Elks are rehearsing for the great Elks Minstrel Show to be presented in Majestic Theatre, April 4th and 5th. An orchestra of eight pieces will furnish the music. Bernadette Moore of Portland is drilling the men.

The performances are for the benefit of Company B. The Elks are also making plans for a May ball to be held in Municipal Hall on the evening of May 2nd. The boys of Company B will also receive the proceeds from this affair.

The boys in the advanced manual training class are making a chest in which presents for the boys of Company B will be sent. The boys in the 7th grade at the Pettengill school are making a bird feeding station, which will be placed in the grove back of the building and kept well stocked with bird food.

Selectman John Martin has been appointed director of the United States Public Service Reserve for Maine, whose duty it will be to enroll men who are willing to serve the country in ship building. Mr. Martin has obtained already several of the industrial recruits.

Mr. Andrew T. Nolan's aged mother has had a stroke of paralysis and is in a precarious condition.

Mr. E. J. Roderick of Franklin street is in Waterville visiting her sister, who is a sister in the convent in that city.

Twelve Swedes and Norwegians of Rumford have formed a club known as the "Outing Club" whose purpose it is to take an active interest in snow sports, such as coasting and skiing, the principal winter sports of their native countries. Mat Nelson is the outgoing master. Mr. Sorenson is president, and Miss Mildred Johnson is secretary and treasurer.

Mrs. Harry Heath of Stratglass Park is recovering from a severe attack of sore throat.

Mr. and Mrs. George Glickson of Waldo street are receiving congratulations.

DAMP, CHANGING WEATHER

Brings Its Toll of Sickness to Bethel People.

"Chilly, damp, changing weather is hard on the kidneys. Even more irritating are colds, grip and pneumonia; They congest the kidneys; They bring backache and disordered kidney action.

For weak kidneys use a tested remedy. Bethel people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills.

F. M. Wood, Park St., Bethel, says: "My kidneys began to annoy me some years ago after I had strained my back while lifting. After that, my back ached pretty badly and I was in miserable shape for a long time. When I took cold, my kidneys got congested and at times, they acted irregularly. I finally used Doan's Kidney Pills and I have never taken another medicine that acted so quickly. I soon had relief from the backache and my kidneys were regulated. Now, I get Doan's Kidney Pills at Bosserman's Drug Store as needed and they always help me."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Wood had. Foster-McIlburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

tions upon the birth of a daughter. Austin McNally has gone to Bath to work in the ship yard.

Mr. and Mrs. John McLaughlin have gone to Bath, where Mr. McLaughlin has employment in the Bath Iron Works.

Miss Mildred Johnson of Portland is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. John Wood is visiting her brother, Eddie Wilson, in New York.

Mr. Archie Thompson and young child have gone to New Hampshire to join Mr. Thompson who has employment there.

Mrs. Adolphus Orino and young son of Portland are visiting relatives in town. Mrs. Orino was before her marriage, Miss Alice Luce.

Interest is unabated in the purchase of War Thrift Stamps in the several schools. Virginia leads with \$240, which is an average of \$1.15 per pupil, and there are 43 War Saving certificates in the school. Pettengill school has \$245, an average \$1.06 per pupil, and 28 certificates. Chisholm has \$214.75 an average of 73 cents per pupil, and 41 certificates. McDonald has \$151.25, an average of \$1.78 per pupil and 6 certificates. Kimball has \$150.12, an average of \$3.26 per pupil, and 20 certificates. Biebee has \$132.75, an average of 89 cents per pupil, and 21 certificates. Stephens High has \$138, an average of 80 cents per pupil, and 20 certificates.

The Mardl Gras celebration at Municipal Hall given under the direction of our local Red Cross Chapter, about two weeks ago, was such a grand success that plans are already under way for a bigger and grander time in the form of a fancy dance May Hall. It will be held in Municipal Hall on the evening of May 1st.

Mr. Fred H. Atwood, the Virginia District greeter, expects soon to move from his present location into the store lower down on Prospect avenue, formerly occupied by J. Harold Poor.

The annual town report of the town of Rumford as of December 31st, 1917, is now in the hands of the citizens, giving in detail the receipts and expenditures and appropriations for the year.

1918. The principal features of the report shows an increase of \$258,123, or .05312 per cent in valuation; increase in appropriations to be paid by taxation of \$18,454.07, or .1705 per cent; tax rate of .0235 for 1917, as against .021 for 1916. The treasurer's report shows the interest bearing debt of the town to have been increased from \$239,155.00 December 31st, 1916, to \$290,155.00 December 31st, 1917, an increase of \$51,000.00, or .265 per cent. An analysis of the liabilities shows \$4,155.00 of Trust funds on which the town pays interest only leaving a balance of \$284,000.00 interest bearing debt, secured by 4 per cent bonds to the amount of \$184,500.00 and demand notes at 5 per cent for the balance \$99,500.

Mr. Frederick Pullman led the open forum at the Universalist Church on Sunday, his subject being "The Russian Bolshevik, its leadership, and object." The subject was of much interest at this stage of the fall of the Russian people.

ANDOVER

Even Learned has been very ill threatened with pneumonia at Ray Thurston's.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club met Saturday evening at the home of C. A. Rand. Four tables of whist were played and Clayton Sweatt and Mrs. Charles Ripley won the first prizes, and C. A. Rand and Mrs. Ada Merrill the second prizes. Dainty refreshments were served.

The Bible Class met Wednesday evening at the Congregational parsonage. Verne Ottignon is visiting at Edmund Bailey's.

Hershel Small, who has been critically ill of pneumonia, is improving. A trained nurse from Rumford is caring for him.

Ralph Hewey and Frank Learned are working at the spool mill.

B. L. Akers was a dinner guest at the home of his brother, J. E. Akers, Sunday.

Cedric Thurston and wife have been recent guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Littlehale, and aunt, Mrs. E. P. Flint, at North Newry.

E. J. Pratt, Jr., was at home Sunday from Black Brook.

Lester Thurston, who is attending school at the State College, Orono, visited his parents, Ralph Thurston and wife, a few days this week.

Rev. J. N. Atwood preached an interesting sermon at the Congregational church, Sunday morning from the text John 21-5.

George Thomas, who has been in Manchester, N. H., for several weeks, returned to Andover, Wednesday of last week and is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Roger Thurston.

Frank Field and wife went to Lawrence, Mass., last week, where Mr. Field will enter a hospital for medical treatment.

The school at No. 4 will close this week, Friday.

The Westleigh brothers from West Bethel are hauling birch from the Emerson farm to the spool mill for Y. A. Thurston.

The village schools gave a fine musical and literary entertainment in the town hall, Wednesday evening, Feb. 20.

The Andover Auxiliary of the Red Cross gave a ball Thursday evening, Feb. 21 in the town hall. A large company was present and a good time was enjoyed by all. A supper consisting of candies, sandwiches, hot rolls, coffee, doughnuts and tarts was served by the ladies.

Mrs. John Hewey was the guest of Mrs. Neal Bodwell, Wednesday, Feb. 20. Mrs. Farrar has been very ill of pneumonia at the home of her son, John Farrington, East Andover.

Edward Abbott is hauling birch to the spool mill.

Mrs. Lucinda Bristol and daughter visited her parents, S. W. Marston and wife, Sunday.

Mrs. Gladys Boulter and daughter, who have been caring for her father, E. J. Pratt, returned this week to their home in Bangor.

Mrs. Sidney Abbott has returned home from Bethel, where she spent several days caring for her niece, Miss Anne Frye, who died recently.

R. L. Thurston and wife were at Rumford, Wednesday of last week.

Lone Mr. Orange will hold his regular meeting Saturday in the hall.

Mrs. Abbie Poor has been spending the winter with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Fox, at Dorchester, Mass.

The Ladies' Aid will meet next Wednesday with Mrs. Charles Bartlett. Herbert Campbell is working in the woods for Edward Abbott.

Miss Edna Akers, who teaches in Rumford, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home.

The high school assistant left town Friday for her new position and Miss Alice Andrews is substituting for the remainder of the term.

Florence Akers from Rumford Center was at home over Sunday.

Guy Hedelson has finished working for Y. A. Thurston.

A heavy rain fell Tuesday evening the teams to be laid off from hauling birch.

WEST PARIS

A Fourth of March ball will be held next Monday evening for the benefit of the Red Cross. Good music.

Help the boys at the front by your presence at the Red Cross Room. We have a new supply of material and more workers are needed at the room on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. It is asked that every member make an effort to be present for a while now to help us make up this material which is needed so much at this time.

Don't put off coming until some better date, some next Tuesday.

If there are any who cannot come to the room, and would like work to do at home, either machine or hand work, we would be very glad to furnish them. There are several Red Cross boxes in the public places, such as the post office, and would be very glad to have you drop in your spare change.

Rev. H. A. Markley will preach at the Universalist church next Sunday.

Miss Mabel Bicker was in Norway last Thursday.

Earle Bacon is ill from bronchitis. Mrs. Addie Mann is ill with a severe cold.

Mr. S. Bubier, Ola Kimball, Gerald Day and the family of Allan Cole are ill with measles.

C. L. Riddon was a business visitor at South Paris, Saturday.

Mrs. F. E. Penley and youngest son, Eugene, were in Portland, Saturday. They go down every Saturday for treatment for Eugene.

Mrs. Harrison W. Welch is recovering from a bad abscess caused by a tooth. Myrtle Robinson is recovering from the measles.

Mrs. E. J. Mann and Mrs. H. R. Tuoll were in Norway, Saturday.

The fourth annual prize speaking contest of West Paris High school, to have been held Friday evening, has been postponed indefinitely on account of so many scholars being ill from the measles. Also the opera "Windmills of Holland" to have been presented at South Paris, Feb. 23, has been postponed for the same reason.

A basket ball team from Morse High School, Bath, played here against West Paris High, Thursday resulting 35 to 22 in favor of Morse High. This is said to be the fastest team in the state.

Miss Maud Carter, who teaches in Massachusetts, is spending a vacation with her sister, Mrs. F. H. Packard.

Many friends will be interested in a recent letter from Dr. F. E. Wheeler, who went to Fort Oglethorpe in December in which he reports his progress as follows:

"I have completed my course in training in eight weeks, coming out with rank 1st, next to highest granted anyone. I have received an appointment as Medical officer, at the Reserve Officers Training Camp, Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. In this work I am stationed at the infirmary which is really a hospital ranking next to a base hospital. I am also sanitary inspector for the camp, a position of considerable responsibility. I am able in this new work to come into contact with every other branch of the service, and which is very pleasant. I may be sent elsewhere as time goes on, but for the present I am here working for Uncle Sam. Mrs. Wheeler and myself are both well, and unite in sending greetings to our friends in Maine. My address is 1st Lieut. F. E. Wheeler, Infirmary, R. O. T. C., Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., or 247 Vine St., Chattanooga, Tenn., where Mrs. Wheeler and I have rooms."

Private Herbert L. Richardson and his bride were guests for a few hours one day last week of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Churchill. Private Richardson called from New Hampshire, as he was a motorman between Berlin and Gorham, but he is a native of Paris.

W. Frederick Smith returned from a Bath shipyard last week and has gone to Litchfield to work in a saw mill for a former employer.

Ralph Dean, who is employed at Bath, spent the week end here.

Last Wednesday night the family of Gerald Swift, who lives on the Greenwood road, had an experience with a hobgoblin which to say the least was rather surprising. Their three children are ill from measles, and possibly Mrs. Swift was sleeping lightly, when a woman-like she accused Mr. Swift, saying she heard a noise as if someone was in the house. He arose, and there eating his supper in the pantry was a tramp who evidently had secreted himself in the buildings before night. The tramp was drinking milk, and said he was about ready to go. He came to the station, broke in and stayed the remainder of the night. When found the station agent thought of having him arrested, but he was thought to be feeble minded, and was sent on his way.

Mrs. Mary Stevens went to Massachussetts, Thursday, to visit her son, Dwight Stevens and family.

The two act, comedy, "Johnny's New Suit," was presented by West Paris talent at West Sumner, Wednesday evening. A dozen followed the play and light refreshments were served. On account of the slippy traveling the attendance was not so large as otherwise, but through the kindness and courtesy of everybody concerned \$12.75 was cleared.

"Better Than Worm Tablets"

Some people who are troubled with worms, or whose children sometimes suffer this way, try to get rid of the trouble by using worm tablets, worm lozenges or worm candy. They fail to get the quick results that can be obtained with Dr. True's Elixir, the family laxative and worm expeller.

In fact Dr. True's Elixir, a liquid medicine, is positively better than any worm tablets, worm lozenges or worm candy. There is no remedy that can compare with Dr. True's Elixir for quickly expelling worms, whether they are stomach worms or pin worms.

Besides that, your stomach is toned up and normal action of the bowels is restored when you take Dr. True's Elixir. It is a doctor's preparation, originated by Dr. True and on the market more than 60 years.

Dr. True's Elixir, the Family Laxative and Worm Expeller, pleasantly makes you feel much better. Remember that when you or your children are troubled with worms, Don't take anything that may upset you, but use Dr. True's Elixir that tones and soothes stomach and bowels and expels worms. Know it! Most all children have worms. Write us for Dr. True's Elixir symptoms.

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PROBATE NOTICES

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1918, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Edmund Merrill late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Fred B. Merrill as executor of the same, without bond as expressed in said will, presented by said Fred B. Merrill, the executor therein named.

Annie M. Frye late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by H. H. Hastings, the executor therein named.

Clarence G. Lapham late of Greenwood, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Herbert E. Day, the executor therein named.

Otis Wyman late of Rumford, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Elphinstone P. Gopwin, the executor therein named.

Ann Lindley late of Albany, deceased; first account presented for allowance by John E. Deegan, executor.

Ruth I. Mills late of Gilead; petition that her name be changed from Ruth I. Mills to Ruth I. George presented by said Ruth I. Mills.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Erving A. Smith, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

H. H. HASTINGS, Bethel, Me. February 19, 1918. 2-28-31.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of John A. Twaddle late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

HARRIET L. TWADDLE, Bethel, Maine. February 19th, 1918. 2-28-31.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Jacob A. Thurston late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

PAUL C. THURSTON, Bethel, Maine. February 19th, 1918. 2-28-31.

NOTICE</

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

To Fred B. Merrill, a citizen of the town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford.

GREETING.—In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Bethel, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at Odeon Hall, in said Town on Monday, March 4th, 1918, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit:—

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the several town officers.

Art. 4. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose the method of collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To choose a Collector for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To establish the number of Road Commissioners to be appointed by the Selectmen.

Art. 10. To establish the price per day the Road Commissioners shall receive for their services.

Art. 11. To choose one member of School Committee.

Art. 12. To choose a Fire Ward for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To establish the price per day that the Fire Ward shall receive for his services.

Art. 14. To choose all other necessary town officers.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the repair of schoolhouses for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for text-books for the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of paying tuition in secondary schools.

Art. 19. To see if the town will authorize the Superintending School Committee to maintain a school at North Bethel and Middle Intervale.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$2,112.13 for the over expenditure on roads and bridges and snow roads for the year 1917.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for repair of roads and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for breaking out of winter roads for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$242.50, the same being the town's part in patrol work done in 1917 by State Highway Commission on State road leading to Locke's Mills.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of covering sand on road leading to Greenwood by the estate of E. Cross. (This article by petition.)

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid as provided in Section 20 of Chapter 130 of Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$466.00 for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of highways, the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Section 19 of Chapter 130 of Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote and raise money and what sum for the maintenance of State highways during the ensuing year within the limits of the town under the provisions of Section 9 of Chapter 130 of Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote and raise money in addition to the amount raised in 1917 for the purpose of purchasing a snow roller for West Bethel and vicinity.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for town officers.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for miscellaneous expenses for the ensuing year.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise to pay town debt and interest.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said money to be expended by Brown Post, G. A. M.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote and raise money to pay for Collector's Bond for year 1918.

Art. 35. To see if the town will authorize the town Treasurer to hire money, if necessary, to pay outstanding bills.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$300.00 to procure for the Bethel Library Association the free use of the books during ensuing year for all the inhabitants of the town under such restrictions and regulations as shall insure the safety and good usage of the books.

Art. 37. To see if the town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of twelve to be known as the Budget Committee.

Any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands this 11th day of February, A. D. 1918.

FRANK A. BROWN,
N. E. RICHARDSON,
F. B. HOWE,

Selectmen of Bethel.

The Selectmen will be in their office Saturday the 2nd day of March for the purpose of correcting the list of voters of the town, and hearing and deciding cases of applicants claiming the right to have their names on the voting list.

WAR NEWS DIGEST

Stories of Activities and Conditions Throughout the United States and on the Battle Fronts, from Washington, D. C.

War Credits Board Approves Advances of Nearly \$150,000,000

A statement prepared by the War Credits Board includes the following explanation of its functions and activities:

"When a contract has been entered with the War Department for supplies, the board has shown the board that it needs financial assistance and has been able to comply with the act by giving adequate security, the board has approved an advance payment and the money has been received; in many instances where the case was urgent the money has been paid over to the contractor the same day the application has been filed."

However, the board does not act in any sense as a bank. It is only when the manufacturer has reached a point where financial assistance is needed, in addition to his banking lines, that application for advance payment for his goods is considered favorably by the board."

Between the time of its creation in November and January 24 the board approved advances to contractors totaling \$145,531,000.

New Committee Will Mobilize Colleges for Training of Troops

It is estimated that within the next six months 75,000 to 100,000 men will be given intensive military training in schools and colleges. They will be drawn from the armed forces of the Nation, men now in training camps or about to be called, and registered under the selective service law.

With a view to mobilizing the educational institutions of the country for this special training there has been created in the War Department a "committee on education and special training." It will encourage and arrange for the technical education of men needed by the several branches of the Army.

Little Corn Held by Dealers in East and South

Small stocks of corn in the hands of dealers in New England and other eastern and southern States, with the exception of Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, where supplies were produced, are indicated by reports to the Department of Agriculture. Actual available supplies in the southeastern States are said to be greater than ever before, although the amount of corn in the hands of distributors, and other dealers is much below normal.

Most districts in the southeastern States have abundant supplies for local needs, while dealers in many places, especially Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and Florida have shipped large quantities of corn to the larger markets.

Import or Export of Any Commodity Now Requires License

No commodities may now be imported from the United States nor exported, without license. According to a statement by the War Trade Board the military and tennage situation have made increasingly apparent the necessity of instituting a complete and thoroughgoing control of all exports and imports.

Licenses for the export or import of coin, bullion, currency, evidences of debt or of ownership of property and transfers of credit will be issued by the Treasury Department; licenses for all other exports and imports, including merchandise, books, ships' supplies, etc., will be issued by the War Trade Board.

War Savings Stamps Sell at Rate in Masses of Savings Bank Accumulations

Treasury receipts from the sale of war-savings stamps are running at the rate of \$1,000,000 a week. Savings bank deposits in the last few years have

been increasing at the rate of \$700,000 a business day. Treasury receipts show the American people are putting their small savings at the service of the Nation through war-savings stamps at a rate far in excess of pre-war savings bank accumulations.

Two billion dollars of war-savings securities will be issued. If these are all sold this year the Treasury will receive about \$1,000,000,000, and at the end of five years the Government will repay the loan together with \$320,000,000 in interest.

Nine Tests Are Used to Prove Physical Fitness of Men in Camps

The director of athletics at one Army camp has arranged a program as a means of determining the relative athletic caliber of the companies in the division. Each man is required to pass in eight of the following tests to obtain a positive mark for his unit.

Jump 8 feet from a standing position; chin 10 times; clear a bar at 4 feet 2 inches; throw a 12-pound shot 33 feet; climb a 20-foot rope in 15 seconds; dash 50 yards in 7 seconds; run a mile in 6 minutes; lift a 60-pound weight over the head with one hand; sit up from a supine position with a 60-pound weight suspended from the back of the head.

Federal Farm Loan Board Does Not Employ Association Organizers

News of schemes to swindle farmers by men advertising to be authorized farm-loan association organizers is met by the statement by the Federal Farm Loan Board that organizers are not employed.

In order to borrow money under the farm loan act, farmers must organize co-operative national farm-loan associations in their local communities. It is a violation of a ruling of the Farm Loan Board for a national farm-loan association or a joint stock land bank to spend money for promotion purposes.

Training School for Army Chaplains at Fortress Monroe

A typical daily schedule of the course of training at the recently established school for army chaplains at Fortress Monroe includes military drill, military law, international law, army regulations, military hygiene, organized recreational work and sectional conferences.

Including the large number recently appointed there are now nearly 600 chaplains in service, and this number will gradually be increased with the passage of expected legislation permitting the appointment of one chaplain for every 1,200 officers and men.

Cartoonists' Work Will Boost Third Liberty Loan

The work of the foremost cartoonists of the country will be used during the sale of Third Liberty Loan Bonds. Drawings will be used in a warlike booklet and a daily cartoon service.

The booklet, containing all of the cartoons, will be distributed by millions. It will consist solely of drawings. The cartoons will also be divided evenly between afternoon and morning papers.

Conditions at Hospital Highly Commended by Secretary of War

After an inspection trip to a base hospital, Secretary of War Baker made the following reply to an inquiry concerning hospital conditions:

"With Surg. Gen. Gorgas and Dr. Henshaw I made this morning a personal inspection of the entire base hospital at Camp Meade. The hospital is very large, fully equipped with scientific laboratories and facilities, has an adequate number of trained nurses under the supervision of a skilled superintendent, its medical and surgical staffs are made up of competent men filled with enthusiasm for their work. The hospital throughout is clean and well cared for; there was an abundance of clean linen, a plentiful supply of well-prepared and appetizing food, and every evidence of

considerate attention to the patients was manifest. I talked with a large number of the patients, none of whom knew who I was, and found them cheerful and without a single complaint as to their treatment or comfort. Dr. Henshaw told me at the conclusion of our inspection that the base hospitals in the eastments throughout the country were substantially like the one we visited this morning. It was a most reassuring visit. I have long been interested in hospitals, and if I were to have a personal illness which required hospital treatment I should be perfectly content to be sick in the base hospital at Camp Meade, satisfied that I would receive the attention necessary and under comfortable conditions."

Strict Attention Paid to Manufacture and Sale of Shoes in England

In England priority must be given to the manufacture of war-time boots over all but Government work. The boots must be made of classes of leather and to specifications approved by the director of raw materials; the manufacturer must stamp on the upper his registered number and on the sole the retail price, together with the words "war time."

The following are examples of styles and prices per pair: Men's heavy shoes, \$4.50; city clerks' shoes, \$4.87 to \$6.39; women's stout shoes, \$3.16 to \$4.20; women's first-grade gait shoes, \$3.83 to \$5.99; boys' shoes, \$2 up; girls' shoes, \$1.87 up. Altogether there will be 38 types of war-time boots. The heels of women's shoes are not higher than 1 3/4 inches, but it is understood that war-time shoes represent in all particulars the manufacturers' ideas of what the public desires.

Camp Theater Prices Far Lower Than at Metropolitan Houses

While figures are not yet available on the proportionate number of \$1 and \$5 smilge books being purchased for use by men at the camps and cantonments, the Commission on Training Camp Activities, in charge of the sale, states that there has been unexpected demand for the larger books. Smilge books selling for \$1 contain 20 coupons good for admission to camp entertainments; books selling for \$5 contain 100 coupons.

From two to five coupons are required for admission to Liberty theater at the camps, although many of the productions are of the class which command \$2 prices in metropolitan houses.

New War Booklet Issued by Committee on Public Information

A "War Cyclopaedia," providing the public with information on the great war in the form of a handbook, is the latest publication issued by the Committee on Public Information.

The salient facts of the war are briefly stated in alphabetical form in 300 pages. The cyclopaedia also contains a chronology of outstanding events ranging from the murder at Sarajevo of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, June 28, 1914, to the British national labor conference's approval of President Wilson's war aims, December 22, 1917.

The volume may be obtained by addressing the Committee on Public Information, 10 Jackson Place, Washington, D. C., and enclosing 25 cents to cover cost of printing.

The annual expenditures of the United States for candy in approximately \$400,000,000.

The War Department now permits women to qualify as inspectors of small arms, according to an announcement by the Civil Service Commission.

Before the war the Navy's Bureau of Identification had the finger-print records of 300,000 men. In the last year the number has increased to about 600,000. In taking the finger-print record of the Navy recruit the impressions of all 10 fingers are obtained.

Plans for the aerial mail route between Washington, Philadelphia, and New York contemplate the use of machines capable of carrying 300 pounds of mail a distance of 200 miles without stop. A special postage rate would be charged, not exceeding 25 cents an ounce.

In reply to inquiries regarding the possibility of distilling seized spirits for alcohol the War Department has announced that the small amount of alcohol recovered, the cost of transportation, reexportation, and distillation would make the cost to the Government greater than it is now paying. The average yield from confiscated liquor would not exceed 3 per cent of alcohol.

There is no standard recipe for "victory bread," the only requirement being that it must contain not more than 50 per cent of wheat flour, the remaining 50 per cent being composed of corn meal or corn flour, rice, potato flour, or other cereals recommended by the Food Administration. "Victory" pies and doughnuts, which contain not less than one-third new wheat flour, may be sold on wheatless days if the same recipes are used throughout the week.

The limit of time for filing income tax returns have been extended to April 1st.

In order to assure prompt and accurate identification, the War Department has adopted a system of numbering en-

HATCH EARLY

Take Advantage of the Best Growing Season for Young Chickens—Get Largest Returns from Your Poultry

In its campaign to increase poultry production the United States Department of Agriculture puts special emphasis upon the importance of early hatching, because that is the key to the whole situation. While chickens can be hatched at any time of the year, it is the chickens hatched early in the spring that give the best results. Unless a special effort is made to hatch early on the farms throughout the country the hatching season coincides too closely with the planting season, and hatching operations are reduced on that account.

Early Hatching Gives Best Results

Early-hatched chickens give the best results because they are, as a rule, the strongest and most vigorous. They are produced from eggs laid while the hens are in their best breeding condition. After a long period of laying, hens lose something of their vitality and their capacity to transmit vigor to their offspring, and so late-hatched chickens are, on the whole, decidedly inferior to early-hatched in inherited vigor and constitution.

Because they are more thrifty and vigorous, early-hatched chickens make quicker, better, and cheaper growth than late chickens. Thrifty chickens get more from a given quantity of feed than others. Weak and underdeveloped chickens often consume as much feed as much larger and better-developed birds and still make no perceptible growth.

Early Chickens Withstand Summer Heat

Early chickens develop before summer to the stage where they can withstand extreme heat and the attacks of parasites, which are more numerous and troublesome in hot weather. Late chickens are likely to be caught by severe heat just at the stage of their growth when heat is most debilitating to them. In their weakened condition they then become an easy prey to lice and mites, their growth is interrupted, and when the cold wet weather comes in the fall they are peculiarly susceptible to it. Vigorous early chicks find the coolness stimulating and are not injured by the dampness.

Reduces Hatching Risks

Early hatching reduces the risks due to the vicissitudes of hatching. When eggs do not hatch well early in the season there is time to find the reason for poor hatching and correct it before the season is too far advanced to get reasonably early chicks in the numbers desired. In that case poultry production may not be reduced at all, and egg production is retarded only a few weeks. When late hatching is not satisfactory the crop of poultry is cut short and egg production falls.

Early-hatched cockerels are ready for the market when prices are highest. Early-hatched pullets lay when prices of eggs are highest.

THE COST OF A FITTED CORD OF WOOD

The Cost of Handling Wood Through a City Dealer's Wood Yard

Most of us have had sufficient experience with a buck saw and axe to know that there is a very considerable amount of labor between a cord of 4 foot wood and the same cord fitted for the kitchen stove, but we may not have thought of some other things that the dealer has to meet in delivering fitted wood.

From reports from Maine dealers they estimate this to cost them all the way from \$3 to \$6 a cord. In the majority of instances this is probably not much more than an estimate. One city dealer who handles about 5,000 cords of hardwood including birch edgings annually keeps accurate account of costs of handling and has kindly placed his figures at the service of the State Fuel Wood Committee. Their yard is served by a spur track from the railroad. They are centrally located as regards city delivery, and are equipped with up-to-date machinery for handling and fitting wood. At present labor rates it costs them \$3.81 per cord to handle, fit and deliver fuel wood. This complete divided into a drayage account of \$1.72, yard expense of fitting wood \$0.91 and maintenance of plant and office expenses of \$1.18. It is probably true that it costs even the best located dealers about \$1 a cord to fit and handle wood through the yard. If the fitted wood is sold by piled measure there is a cost of nearly \$1 per cord due to shrinkage. If, on the other hand, the wood is sold by its measure when thrown into the delivery body there is a saving of nearly a dollar because of its increased bulk. A cord of 4 foot wood when fitted for the stove shrinks about a tenth, if closely piled and increases about a tenth if thrown into a rectangular bin, or cart or sled body.

Most men of the Army. The system provides for one series of numbers without alphabetical prefix, for all enlisted men. The number assigned to a soldier will become a part of his official designation, and will never be changed nor assigned to another man. It will be entered on identification tags.

A square deal is as broad as it is long.

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GRANGE NEWS

FRANKLIN GRANGE

Franklin Grange held its regular meeting Saturday afternoon, March 2. After the business session the following program was given:

Singing, Paper on "Grange Improvement," Sister Annie Dyer, Piano Duet, Rowena Ring, Della Bryan, Reading, "How Salvador Won," Sister Bertha Lovoy.

Question, "What can we do to improve our Grange?" Discussed by B. Claude Cushman.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE

The regular meeting of Bear River Grange, No. 285, was held in Grand Hall, Mar. 2, at 8:30 p. m. Worth Master in chair filled vacant chairs as follows: Gate Keeper, Bro. Holt; Steward, Bro. McPherson; Ceres, Sister No. 10. Minutes of last meeting were read. On motion it was voted that one member earn one dollar between now and the last meeting in March to pay on the piano, and tell how they earned it. A short time was devoted to the written work. Literary program:

Question: Which is the best for the rural towns, build State roads or serve help for the farms? Opened by Bro. F. L. French. Following a lively discussion, the question was put to a vote, which resulted in a tie.

Reading, Sister Addie Saunders, Song, Bro. and Sister Wright, Reading, encore, Sister Selma Smith, Song, "Star Spangled Banner," By Grange.

Contest cutting down cherry tree. There were 17 members present.

BETHEL GRANGE

Bethel Grange held its last regular meeting, Feb. 28. Past Master Levi Bartlett called the meeting to order at 8 o'clock. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Officers absent at roll call: Master, Asst. Steward, Treasurer, Secretary, Ceres, Flora, L. A. Steward at Plains.

After the business session the Lecturer presented the following program: Opening Song, Grange, War recipes were called for and nearly every lady responded.

Cipping, Levi Bartlett, Reading, Rev. Mr. Little, Cipping, Daisy Philbrook, Reading, Geo. Haggood, Cipping, Lizzie Morse, Reading, Eva Haggood, Cipping, Ella Copeland, Reading, How many pigs, hens, horses, cows and sheep ought farmers to keep? Discussed by A. F. Copeland, Herman Mason, Lizzie Morse and Pauline Mason.

Reading, Mrs. Kendall, Reading, Rev. Mr. Little, History of Bethel Grange, Eli Cushman.

The next meeting will be held March 4. Supper served as usual at 6:30.

NORWAY GRANGE

The following is the program for the meeting of March 9:

Opening Song, Old Glory, Address to Roll Call, Current Events, News not responding to add a cent to the relief fund.

Fertilizer—use at present time—fifty years ago, Chas. Gammon, cost of commercial fertilizer a farm can afford to use the coming year, Fred Grover, Percy Russell, Russ, Nelson.

Can we use an equal amount of this four substitutes and live up to the food pledges? Edith Kaighly, Alma Swan, Addie Hill, Mrs. Scott, Mary Millett.

Is the government doing to help the farmers? H. D. Smith, Arthur Erick, Stamps in the schools, Ruth Helgate, Mrs. A. E. K. Grover.

FARIS GRANGE

Faris Grange was called to order by Master Dudley at 1:30 p. m. Saturday, March 2. The Steward was the Room Officer that was absent. Four candidates were instructed in the third degree. After refreshments were served the Grange resumed work.

Mr. B. A. Merrill of Littleton, Colo. talked about the fertilizer, the and the difficulties of transportation followed by Percy Walker, State was given that the Bureau of Soil & Co. would give a war bonus of \$4 per pound, making a total of \$5 per pound for sweet corn for the winter season. Next Grange meeting will be held on March 16 at 10:30 a. m. and will be as Past Masters Day. The that will fill the chair for the day; said H. D. Hammond; Overeier, W. Per

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